

National Operations Update

As of 7:45 a.m., 26 Jan 2022

Emergency Preparedness Secretariat

(starting with the next report, changes will be in RED font)

MAIN POINTS

- Some COVID related RFAs are expected to end this and next week.
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- Updated: Summary of Canadian Unity Convoy planned demonstration.

CURRENT OPERATIONS/ISSUES:

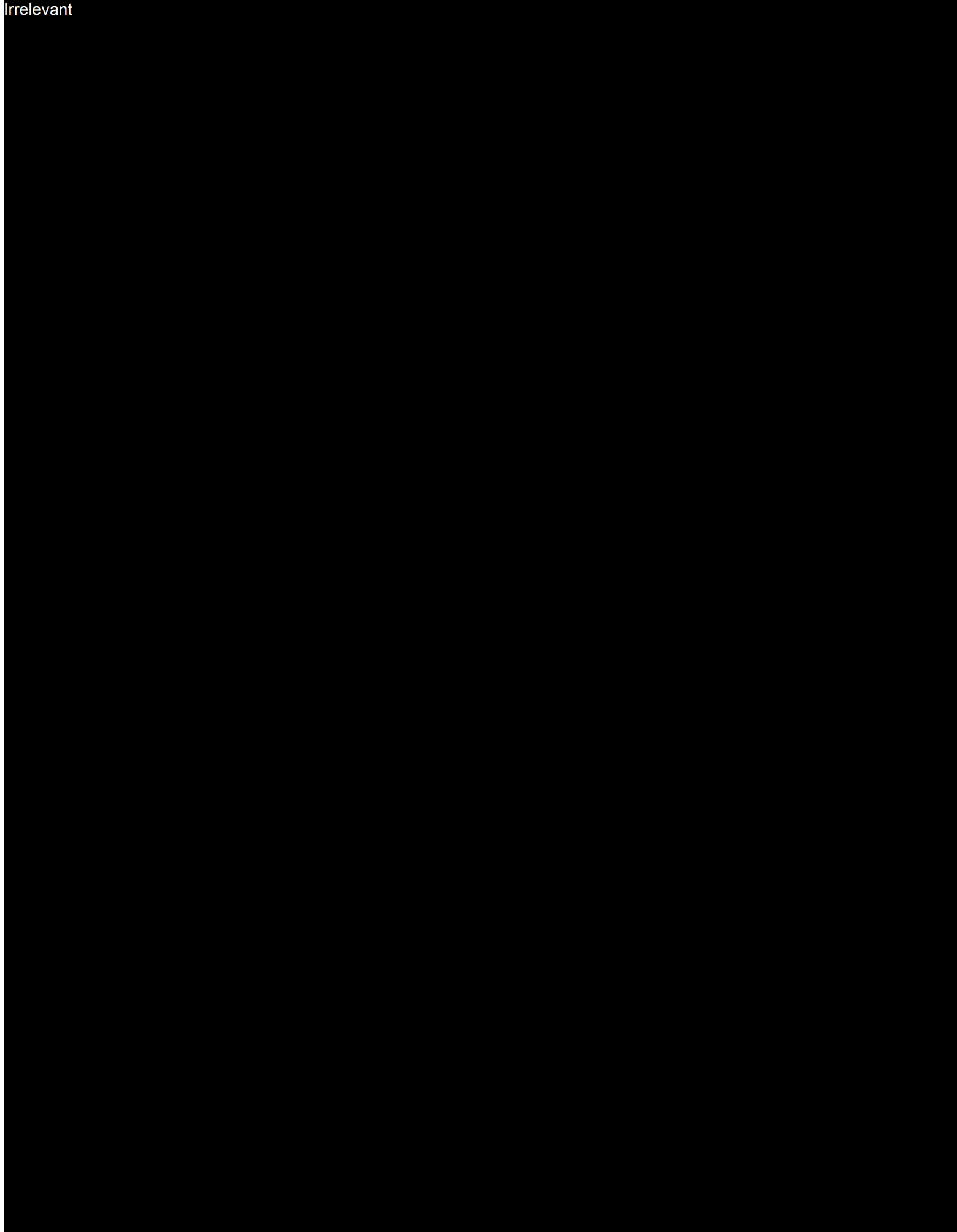
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Current RFA Update

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Potential New RFAs being considered

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IQALUIT WATER SAFETY

- Nunavut MP Lori Idlout (NDP) is calling for \$180M to end the water emergency in Iqaluit, in a letter dated 21 Jan to Infrastructure and Communities Minister Dominic Leblanc. No specifics provided on what the funds would be used for, but Mayor Kenny Bell recently stated that the city needs a new water source and treatment plant.
- Some residents have reported a return fuel smells in water.
- Although slight levels of hydrocarbons have been detected in the water, these levels are within an acceptable range.
- The City of Iqaluit is going ahead with its contingency plan, has shut down the water treatment plant, and activated the multi-tank bypass. Therefore, residents are advised to boil tap water prior to consumption. No timeline on when the water treatment plant may be back online.
- NU Emergency Management does not anticipate an RFA.

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CANADA UNITY CONVOY 2022 – PLANNED DEMONSTRATION

- Social media reporting that extremists groups are calling for the planned protests to turn into a “U.S. January 6-esque attack on Ottawa”.
- “Slow roll” convoys at provincial and CAN/U.S. border crossings are expected over the next two weekends; such convoys will continue as long as the imposed mandates and restrictions remain in place.
 - In AB, truckers are being encouraged to block the Coutts port of entry (AB/Montana) on 28-29 Jan.
- Route (West, East and South) cards and timelines are available on organization’s website. **All convoys plan to meet in Ottawa on 29 Jan.**
- Ottawa peaceful demonstration planned for January 28-29, 2022; disruptions expected in Ottawa:
 - Protests outside 24 Sussex
 - Blocking bridges and slowing traffic in general
 - Shopping without masks.
 - Protests outside CBC News 181 Queen St (House of Commons offices co-located)
- **Freedom Convoy 2022 has raised over \$4.5M in fundraising support; however, GoFundMe has temporarily frozen the funds until the fundraisers show a clear plan on how those these will be spent. The group stated the money raised will help registered truckers pay for fuel, lodging and food; remaining funds will be donated to a veterans association in Canada.**
- **INTERSECT indicates that the situation remains fluid and all NCR police agencies, including the City of Ottawa, are monitoring and coordinating a response. INTERSECT expects to have a more accurate picture of impacts by 26 Jan.**

ASYLUM SEEKERS

- Reports of a renewed stream of migrants seeking refuge in Canada after a 20 month ban, lifted on November 21 2021.
- Increase in migrants are being reported at the Lacolle, QC port of entry.

NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN

- No critical impacts are being felt at this time.

SPRING FLOODING IN CANADA

- The GOC will issue its Initial Planning Guidance on 17 Jan.
- A national Risk Assessment and Plan are expected to be finalized and shared in early March.
- Public Safety’s Critical Infrastructure (CI) Directorate is conducting a CI Impact Assessment with CI owners/operators, P/T governments and Federal institutions with CI responsibilities.

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UKRAINE

- Watching item.
- On 25 Jan, Canada ordered family members of diplomatic staff stationed in Ukraine to leave the country. This comes one day after the U.S., Britain, Germany and Australia announced similar steps.
- GAC has updated its travel guidance for Ukraine, advising Canadians to avoid non-essential travel due to ongoing Russian threats and military buildup in and around the country.

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